

when one soul came forward and accepted Christ. Thus far three precious souls have accepted Christ and we are encouraged. More will follow. It is our purpose to continue till next Sunday. Feel sure if we could stay one more week there would be many more follow in the Lord's work. We have visited the homes of many precious souls some who have the honor of many years and out of Christ. We are convinced of the good that can be accomplished in this way. On last Sunday afternoon by a request of Brother Koontz we visited the bedside of a great-grand-mother who has been sick for over two years. She is in her 86th year. Sisters O'Flarity and Armentrout were with us. We had song, reading and prayer with her. She expressed her willingness to accept the Master's call. Said her journey in life had been long enough. She said the only advice she had to give to all people was not to put off serving God till it was too late for when she accepted Christ her body was already too weak to be buried with Christ in Baptism. Pray for these dear souls in this mission for they are hungering for God's love.

S. P. FOGLE.

P. S. August 14 We are at home. We closed the above meeting on last Sunday morning. Seven souls were added by baptism, two more to follow. We feel sure that one more week would have doubled this number for Christ. Notwithstanding the hot weather, we had a packed house every service except two, and never saw better order, for which we commended them very highly. At baptism one middle-aged mother came up out of the water singing "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes." We had at least one hundred souls to witness this beautiful service on last Friday evening at four o'clock. Now we are expecting Brother Lyon with us at New Market, Friday night. Pray for us.

S. P. F.

TEN REASONS FOR TEMPERANCE

MRS. WM. BLACK

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That temperance work needs to be done in this land of ours cannot be denied by the wisest counselors. Are there counselors present here tonight, and am I safe in my assertions? In this entertainment tonight I hope to present to your minds some truths which will prove the need of temperance exercises. And now I will give you ten reasons why I am interested in temperance work.

First. Because in II Peter 1:6 it stands as the third degree in the Christian graces, which must be added to every child of gospel faith.

Second. Because those who are of the household of faith must let their light shine by precepts and examples in order to guide the wanderer into the light of wisdom's way.

Third. Because the great apostle Paul, of the Gentiles, laid the example and taught the doctrine of temperance before Felix, the Roman procurator. "And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance and judgment to come Felix trembled and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season I will call for thee." Acts 24:25. But I have never yet read that that convenient season ever came to Felix.

Fourth. Because it ought to be taught to implant in the minds of the people to preserve our nation's strength and moral improvement. For, when I read of the fall of nations, it was because they had become drunken and were conquered by their ene-

mies while stupified and engaged in a drunken revel.

Fifth. Because it is one of the best means to implant principles which prepares old and young to live nobler lives in the world.

Sixth. Because if we observe temperance rules our minds will be brighter and our physical organism more perfect.

Seventh. Because it secures to us the high station of moral life, which is always manifested in refined manhood and womanhood.

Eighth. Because no work, temporal or spiritual, can possibly prosper without its presence.

Ninth. Because no man, or woman, can possibly live to the glory and honor of God without its presence.

Tenth. Because no man, rich or poor, can truly live happy without its presence.

Therefore, I look upon the word temperance as one of our most beautifully written words found in the English language, and in it may be found as many virtues as it takes alphabetical characters to spell the word. In short, I term it nothing more or less than the good word of inspiration which was given to us for the entire use of making us happy.

Temperance may naturally be illustrated, as some noted writer has said, by a beautiful young virgin holding in her right hand a golden pitcher and in her left hand a glittering goblet pouring bright sparkling water for the use and refreshment of her companions.

And again, as a mother has said, "This beverage is emblematic of the water of life in paradise and is furnished in abundance for the use of man by his Creator, and is the natural drink for all that dwell on the earth."

Auburn, Ill.

DON'T

D. A. HOPKINS

Don't do anything that you cannot ask God's blessings upon.

Don't do anything that you have reasons to believe he will not bless.

Don't do anything that he is not willing to bless.

Don't pray for the sinner's salvation unless you will help to save him.

Don't pray for the sinner's salvation and vote for his damnation.

Don't place a higher standard on a gold dollar than a precious soul, nor the free coinage of silver above free salvation for all who will.

HOW

How can you ask God's blessing upon the liquor traffic?

How can you ask his blessing upon a vote cast for the liquor traffic?

How can you pray 364 days for the sinner's salvation and on the 365th day vote for his damnation?

How will we reconcile the matter with God at the great day when our brother's blood shall be upon our garment!

Our Dead

STUTZMAN.—Mary Young Stutzman died Aug. 12, aged 35 years, 1 month and 1 day. She was married to William Stutzman Aug. 15, 1897. About five years ago she embraced the Christian religion and united with the Congregational church at Morenci, Mich., living a consistent Christian life until death. She was a worker in the cause of her Master and a member of the Helping Hand society of the U. B. church, but lately she expressed a desire to identify herself with the Brethren church of which her husband is a member, but death came unexpected and she has joined the church triumphant above. Our loss is her gain. She leaves a father, mother, two sisters, one brother, a kind husband and step son, with many other relatives and friends to mourn her departure. Funeral services were held at the U. B. church, Tuesday the 14th, at one o'clock. The pastor, Rev. P. C. Albright and Stephen Berkeybile officiating. Interment in Wauseon cemetery.

WILLIAM STUTZMAN.

Wauseon, Ohio.

TROUP.—On Monday morning Jacob Troup Sr., died at the residence of his nephew, Jacob Troup, Jr., a few miles south of Milford. His home was in Milford, but some time ago they took him out to his nephew so they could care for him better. He was very patient during all his sickness. He led a good Christian life, his soul was wrapped up in love for the Master, as for the church. He was a member of the Brethren church. He will be missed in the church for he was always there to give advice and help in every way he could. The church has lost a good man, such was his life. His funeral was held at the home of his nephew, Aug. 15, by Brother Rench, pastor of the Milford church. It was a large funeral. He was buried in the Feltner cemetery. His age was 65 years, 11 months and 22 days. He leaves a wife, two brothers and a host of friends to mourn his departure. What is our loss is his gain in that better world.

MRS. W. J. ORN.

WILLIAMS.—Rebecca Grossnickle Williams, a member of the North Manchester church, daughter of Johnathan and Sarah Grossnickle, was born October 1, 1870, and joined the Brethren church some fourteen years ago. She was married to Oliver Williams Feb. 9, 1888. To this union was born three children, one having died in infancy. Sister Williams suffered intensely for several months wrestling with the dreaded disease consumption but she braved the billows of affliction and waited patiently for the chariot which came Aug. 16, 1900, at 7:30 in the morning. The spirit of Sister Williams went home to God ready and reconciled for the journey, aged 29 years, 10 months and 15 days. She leaves father, mother four brothers and three sisters with her husband and two little boys to mourn their loss. Why she was called so soon only God can answer. She was an affectionate wife, a loving mother and a Christian woman. She will be missed much from the circles in which she moved, in the church, in the home, in the community. We have known Sister Williams from a child, we led her down into the baptismal waters and verily believe she arose to walk in newness of life. We officiated at the marriage ceremony of Brother and Sister Williams. A few weeks ago we were called to perform the last sad rite of anointing her in the name of the Lord, brother Isaiah Wright assisting, and was called to officiate at her funeral, brother Albert Write, of the G. B. church, assisting. A very large concourse attending from the Brethren church.

WM. W. SUMMERS.

North Manchester, Ind.

SMITH.—In the Salisbury congregation, Somerset county, Pa., Aug. 23, 1900, of lung trouble, sister Katherine Smith, youngest child of brother and sister Stewart Smith, aged 20 years, 1 month and 19 days. Her pastor, Brother Hazlett, having already